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St. Charles Parish Council Attention: Accounts Payable P.O. Box 302 Hahnville, LA 70057

## Invoice # SCP-08

Retainer for activities in September 2009, Washington DC representative consulting services	\$8,333.00
Business Expenses –	
L.D.Telephone/cellular/fax/conf calls	\$150.00
Airline travel BWI/N.O (2 flights)	
Parking/tolls/taxi Car rental	95.00
Gas - car rental	
Business and travel meals	35.00

Total Due <u>\$8,613.00</u>

\$280.00

Expense Total N/A

Thank you.

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## **Summary of Activities – September 2009**

After congressional staff visits during the month of August and follow up discussions with them in September, I was convinced that each of the members and their staffs will increase their effort on behalf of St. Charles Parish moving forward, as a result of interaction between offices. I was trying to think of a way that the Parish might get some visibility and help elevate their needs requirement and discussed that with Parish President St. Pierre. I felt that we needed to overcome the fact that the parish may not meet the cost/benefit ratio with regards to population when asking or large sums of money for hurricane protection. However, the many assets/companies located there because of the Mississippi River help to overcome the other population deficit. So the case needs to be made that the Parish is a gem worth protecting, not only because of its people, but because of the many products manufactured, developed and distributed to the rest of the company from St. Charles Parish. We are planning to use that theme in preparation of an event to be held on Capitol Hill in October when businesses would display their output and business/political/community leaders from St Charles would come to Washington in support of the effort. We are planning to use the leaders to deliver the message that St. Charles is worth protecting to Washington DC Congressional members, staff and administration leaders. To attract those people I suggested the tried and proven method of success that many Louisiana entities have used over the years, and that would be some version of a Cajun food reception, which is popular everywhere, but done very little outside of Louisiana. The idea would be to highlight the many plants/businesses on the Mississippi graphically and then have St. Charles leaders work the crowd delivering the message. We are in the planning stages of the event now and will report the outcome in the next summary of activities.